Professional Licensure Program Disclosures

**General**

Mount Saint Mary’s University professional licensure programs are designed to prepare students for a license in the state of California. Students who wish to practice in a state other than California may or may not have additional requirements to complete prior to applying for a license. More program specific information and/or contact information can be found on the desired program’s webpages linked from the list below.

- Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN)
- Traditional Bachelor of Science in Nursing (TBSN) & Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing (ABSN)
- Master of Science in Nursing, Adult-Gerontology Clinical Nurse Specialist
- Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT)
- Marriage and Family Therapist (MFT) or Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor (LPCC)
- Clinical Psychology (PsyD)
- California Preliminary or Clear Teaching Credential
- Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Accounting

**Disclosures by Program**

**Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN)**

The Associate’s Degree in Nursing meets the standards for and has been approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing, leading to a California Registered Nurse (RN) license. Students who wish to practice in a state other than California may or may not have additional requirements to complete prior to applying for the RN license. Mount Saint Mary’s University is in the process of researching program professional licensure standards in other states. Contact Dr. Beverley Brownell at bbrownell@msmu.edu to discuss additional requirements that may be needed to obtain an RN license in a state outside of California.

**Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Traditional and Accelerated)**

The Bachelor’s Degree in Nursing meets the standards for and has been approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing, leading to a California Registered Nurse (RN) license. Students who wish to practice in a state other than California may or may not have additional requirements to complete prior to applying for the RN license. Mount Saint Mary’s University is in the process of researching program professional licensure standards in other states. Contact Marie Seitz at mseitz@msmu.edu to discuss additional requirements that may be needed to obtain an RN license in a state outside of California.
Master of Science in Nursing (MSN), Adult-Gerontology Clinical Nurse Specialist

The Adult-Gerontology Clinical Nurse Specialist track in the MSN program conforms to the California Board of Registered Nursing’s requirements for California Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS) Certification. For students who wish to practice in a state other than California, you may or may not have additional requirements you must complete prior to applying for your license. Mount Saint Mary’s University is in the process of researching program professional licensure standards in other states. Contact Dr. Madeleine Bruning at mbruning@msmu.edu to discuss additional requirements that may be needed to obtain CNS certification in a state outside of California.

California Preliminary or Clear Teaching Credential

The Preliminary and Induction Teacher Preparation Programs meet the standards for and have been approved by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CCTC), leading to a California Preliminary or Clear Teaching Credential. Students who wish to practice in a state other than California will have additional licensing requirements to complete prior to practicing in a state outside of California. Mount Saint Mary’s University is in the process of researching program professional licensure standards in other states. Contact the Education department at educationdepartment@msmu.edu to discuss additional requirements that may be needed to obtain a teaching credential in a state outside of California.

Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT)

The Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) degree program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE). Mount Saint Mary’s DPT graduates are eligible to sit for the National Physical Therapy Exam in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Licenses are granted by the licensing authority in individual states and those licensing boards might require an additional exam on laws and regulations specific to that state. The Physical Therapy Board of California is the licensing authority for California and requires an exam on the laws and regulations for practice of physical therapy in California. Mount Saint Mary’s University will assist applicants and students as they determine licensure requirements in other states. Please contact the Director of the Doctor of Physical Therapy Program by email at dlowe@msmu.edu. Contact information and licensure requirements for the licensing authorities in other jurisdictions can also be found on the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy website.
**Marriage & Family Therapy (MFT) and Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor (LPCC)**

The Marriage & Family Therapist (MFT) and Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor (LPCC) programs meet the standards and have been approved by the California Board of Behavioral Science, leading to an MFT or LPCC counselor license in California. Students who wish to practice in a state other than California may or may not have additional requirements to complete prior to applying for licensure. Mount Saint Mary’s University is in the process of researching professional licensure requirements in other states. Contact the Psychology department at gradpsy@msmu.edu to discuss additional requirements that may be needed to obtain an MFT or LPCC license in a state outside of California.

**Psychology Doctorate (PsyD)**

Mount Saint Mary’s University PsyD in Clinical Psychology graduates are eligible to sit for licensure as a Psychologist in California. The Board of Psychology of California is the licensing authority for California and requires an exam on the laws and regulations for practice of psychology in California, as well as the national EPPP (Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology). Licenses in other states are granted by the licensing authority in those individual states and those licensing boards might require an additional exam on laws and regulations specific to that state, as well as additional education requirements. Mount Saint Mary’s University will assist applicants and students in determining licensure requirements for states other than California. For assistance with determining licensure requirements for any particular state, contact the Director of the PsyD Program at gtravis@msmu.edu. Students may also find the contact information and licensure requirements for the licensing authority in California and other jurisdictions by visiting the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB) website.

**BS in Business Administration, Accounting Concentration**

The Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Accounting Concentration, at Mount Saint Mary’s University (MSMU) offers 124 credit units, which allows graduates to sit for the Uniform Certified Public Accountant (CPA) Exam in California. However, the state boards of accountancy require students to complete 150 academic credit units to be eligible to become a licensed CPA. For a full list of California CPA licensure requirements, please visit This Way to CPA, California. Individual states may also have additional requirements and, therefore, Mount Saint Mary’s University is in the process of researching those professional licensure requirements in other states. Contact the Business department at busadmin@msmu.edu to discuss additional requirements that may be needed to obtain a CPA license in any particular state. For a general overview of CPA licensing requirements by state and territory, students may contact an individual state board of accountancy or visit This Way to CPA, state requirements.